Through public access community media I have been able to hone my own video production and editing skills, and been able to introduce promising young people to the art of producing effective pieces on their activities and interests in our town. We have had our local access channel amplify an over-subscribed event we had that engaged local people in helping our public schools. The resulting television piece helped a team of administrators from our public school be invited to another opportunity to ratchet up their skills in educating for the 21st century. Another group in our town hopes to leverage community public access media to document stories of our citizens as we plan a celebration of our town's 250th birthday. The equipment and the friendly staff in both my own (Don Roine) and my neighboring town (Peter Seitz) are real gems in our communities and light up the events that keep neighbors neighborly in America. Please keep them paid, maintained and accessible.

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